against 70 to 100 per cent occupancy in private hotels;

(c) whether it is a fact that the below average performance of the hotels is due to mismanagement of the ITDC properties coupled with inefficient and non-professional services rendered; and

(d) the action Government propose to take to boost the image of the ITDC hotels to make them viable to be able to stand in competition with private hotels in the country?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) During 1994-95, ten out of 26 hotels of ITDC incurred losses.

(b) No, Sir. The average occupancy of ITDC hotels was 54 per cent during 1994-95.

(c) No, Sir. The loss incurring situation of certain hotels is attributed mainly to adverse tourism scenario caused *inter alia* by factors such as plague, malaria etc.

(d) The steps taken|being taken by ITDC to improve the performance of hotels to make them competitive and to enhanced their image include: aggressive marketing efforts, introduction of special tariff|packages, upgradation|improvement of hotel properties, monitoring and control of operating cost, development of human resource by imparting suitable training etc.

Unemployment problems of pilots

6855. SHRI PRAGADA KOTAIAH:
DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) what are the types and number of various categories of licences issued to pilots and flying crew during the last year;

(b) how many of such pilots are gainfully employed and how many are unemployed;

(c) what are the reasons or their unemployment; and

(d) what action has been taken|proposed to be taken to ease the unemployment problem of pilots?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The Director General of Civil Aviation has issued 845 pilots' licences during the year 1994 as follows:

Airline Transport Pilot's Licences (Aeroplane)—111

Airline Transport Pilot's Licences (Helicopter)—1

Senior Commercial Pilot's Licence (Aeroplane)—50

Commercial Pilot's Licence (Aeroplane)—175

Commercial Helicopter Pilot's Licence—15

Private Pilot's Licence (Aeroplane)—194

Private Helicopter Pilot's Licence—1

Pilot's Licence (Glider)—23

Flight Radio Telephone Operator's Licence (R)—35

Flight Radio Telephone Operator's Licence—236

Student Pilot's Licence (Baloon)—1

Student Pilot's Licence (Helicopter)—2

Student Pilot's Licence (Microlight)—1

(b) to (d) The Directorate General of Civil Aviation does not maintain records of employed|unemployed pilots. Morever, issuing of licence is not linked with demand for employment of pilots.

Poor facilities at Sahar Airport Bombay

6856. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA
DR. SHRIKANT RAMACHANDRA JICHKAR:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the poor facilities at the Sahar Airport, Bombay;